

In the Specification at page 5, lines 1-13, replace the first and second paragraphs with:

Retainer 26 and its components are illustrated in FIGS. ~~3-7~~ 4-7. The retainer 26 can include a generally U-or V-shaped retaining member 32 having an outwardly flared side 34 connected to a transverse portion 36 which in turn connects to a side 38. The side 38 mounts to the front side 20 by way of a fastener or other connecting means, for example. A biasing element 40, such as spring metal, is operably disposed adjacent the side 34 in a manner to bias toward the same.

A retaining plate 42 can preferably be generally U-or V-shaped, although not necessary, having a transverse central portion 44 and side portions 46. By way of example, there are shown two laterally spaced retaining members 32 in FIG. 4, with the retaining plate 42 disposed therebetween. Also, provided are ridged surfaces 48 extending from the plate 42 which are laterally spaced to generally align with and extend toward the sides 34 of the retaining members 32. The plate 42 is connected to biasing element 40 such that the plate 42 is normally biased into contact with the side 34 of the retaining member 32 as seen in FIG. 5.

At page 6, lines 1-22, please replace the entire page with the following.

27' connecting respective upper ends 21' and 22'. In this embodiment, the front side 20' can be extended from the wall W to permit easy access to the retained garments, or collapsed against the side 14' and retained by a latch mechanism 29' to conserve further space in a closet.

FIG. 1D shows the retainers 26 staggered in relation. In this way, at least a side portion of the articles, such as pants P, can be viewed to aid in their selection without having to move the other hung articles.

As illustrated in FIG. 3, the retaining member 26 has an arcuate central portion 44. This design can permit garments with thicker material and seamed areas to be more easily inserted adjacent the central portion 44.

In FIG. 13A, the retaining member 32' includes a short side 38' which inserts into a longitudinal channel 23' cut into the front side 20' through a groove 31' in the front side 20' to snap and lock the retaining member 32' in place. Longitudinally displaced from and below the groove 23' is another groove 33'. As seen in FIGS. 8 and 13A, a generally U- or V-shaped spring 40' is employed with one side 41' disposed in the channel 23' and another side 43' disposed in a slot 45' of plate 42' through groove 47'. The shape of the springs 40, 40' can vary so long as the intended use with the invention is accomplished.

FIGS. 14A and 14B show another retaining member 32". The member 32" includes a post 38" which can be press fit into a bore 31 "of front side 20" and is configured to receive the post 38" in such a manner.

By so providing the above described elements, the instant invention includes means for simultaneously permitting the biasing means to be compressed with part of one's hand, e.g., with one's knuckles, while permitting insertion of a garment, e.g., with one's fingers, between the